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DRUIG, the current Prime Eternal, determined that Earth's mutants represent excess deviation--and therefore, he has set out to destroy them all. Druig unleashed the **HEX**, giant Eternals, to attack the mutant nation of **KRAKOA**, triggering war.

A faction of the **ETERNALS** opposed to Druig's plan worked together with the **AVENGERS** and the kidnapped mutant geneticist, **MR. SINISTER**. Together, they used the Avengers' headquarters, the deceased body of a Celestial, to create a new, living god--the **PROGENITOR**. However, once awakened, the Progenitor announced to everyone on Earth that within 24 hours they would all be judged. And if found lacking…all will die! The Progenitor carried out its judgment and has now set out to destroy the Earth. A small team of **AVENGERS**, **X-MEN** and **ETERNALS** have gone inside the Progenitor in an attempt to activate its self-destruct mechanism.

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CELESTIALS

THE PROGENITOR

AVENGERS

IRON MAN

X-MEN

JEAN GREY

WOLVERINE

MR. SINISTER

ETERNALS

AJAK

SERSI

MAKKARI

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JUDGMENT DAY

AXE

THE PROGENITOR,
THE NORTH POLE.
JUDGMENT DAY +1.
OKAY, I HATE TO SAY THIS...
...BUT FOR AN AVENGERS, ETERNALS AND X-MEN GET-TOGETHER?

THIS AVENGER IS FEELING DISTINCTLY OUTNUMBERED.
I WAS AN AVENGER, TONY.
ME TOO.
IF YOU'RE ON A RECRUITMENT DRIVE, I'D CONSIDER JOINING UP.
NOW THAT THOR'S DEAD, IS THERE A CLOAK CLOSET I CAN RUMMAGE THROUGH?
SOME KIND OF SUPPLEMENT TO PAY FOR A HOT NEW LOOK?

IT KILLED THOR. IT KILLED CAROL. IT KILLED WHO KNOWS HOW MANY.
STEVE IS OUT THERE TRYING TO HOLD THINGS TOGETHER.
THE WORLD IS DYING, AND YOU DON'T MAKE JOKES ABOUT MY DEAD FRIENDS, SINISTER.
YES. HOWEVER, WE BUILT THIS. THE ETERNALS, YOU AND I.
AND IT'S BASED ON YOUR NERVOUS SYSTEM.
SO IT'S ALL OUR FAULT YOUR AVENGER CHUMS ARE DEAD, BECAUSE WE'RE ALL SUCH TERRIBLE SCIENTISTS, PRIESTS OR--IN YOUR CASE--PEOPLE.
NOW, I'VE MADE MYSELF INCAPABLE OF FEELING BAD ABOUT ANYTHING--PERHAPS YOU CAN STOP TRYING TO OFFLOAD YOUR ANGER ONTO ME AND WE CAN GET ON WITH SAVING THE WORLD, HMM?
YOU'RE RIGHT.
THAT'S ANNOYING.
IT'S WHAT I DO, MR. STARK, IT'S WHAT I DO...
NOW--WHAT'S THE BEST ROUTE TO THE DESTRUCT NODE TO POP THIS BAD BOY? THE SPINAL LIFT, I'D SAY...
YEAH-- IT SHOULD TAKE US RIGHT TO--
THERE IS A PROBLEM.
OUR GOD IS NEWLY FLUSHED WITH ITS POWER. IT IS TOO HEAVY FOR REALITY. ITS WILL AND WHIM WILL WARP ALL PATHS.
I MUST DISCERN THE ROUTE.
THIS IS A PILGRIMAGE. A BLOODY ONE, BUT A PILGRIMAGE NEVERTHELESS.

AJAK'S RIGHT. I CAN SENSE ITS PSYCHIC HEAVINESS. IT'S PRESSING DOWN ON US ALL.
WITHOUT ME, IT'D CRUSH YOU ALL ALIVE.
YOU'RE HERE, JEAN. WE'RE GOOD.
ETERNALS: GET ME TO THE RIGHT PLACE, AND I'LL SOLVE ANY PROBLEM THAT INVOLVES STICKING CLAWS INTO THINGS.
WELL, LOGAN, GOT SOME NEWS FOR YOU...
...LOOKS LIKE SOME CLAW TIME IS INCOMING.
WHAT THE HELL ARE THEY?
WELL, YOUNG-ISH MAN LOGAN, LET THE RESIDENT EXPERT AT TOMB-RAIDING CELESTIALS EXPLAIN!
CELESTIAL ANTIBODIES, DESIGNED TO GET RID OF NASTY LITTLE GRUBS LIKE US.
THEIR GODLY INTERNAL FAUNA CAN BE DISTINCTLY HOSTILE.
NOW LET ME EARN MY KEEP...
...THESE PHEROMONES DISGUISED ME WHEN I FIRST PLUNDERED THE DREAMING CELESTIAL.
WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO PASS SAFELY AND SECRETLY TO--

KRRRAKOOM
PLAN B! STAB THEM, LOGAN!
STAB THEM WITH YOUR CLAWS!
ETERNALS: DIRECT COMMAND TO ENGAGE CELESTIAL.
HE'S A GENIUS, RIGHT?
HE IS. MISTER SINISTER JUST SAYS STUPID THINGS TO SHOW OFF.
I UNDERSTAND A LOT OF GENIUSES DO THAT.
YOU KNOW, I HAVE A BAD HABIT OF BEING ATTRACTED TO REDHEADS WHO ARE MEAN TO ME, MS. GREY.
BE CAREFUL WITH WHAT YOU'RE UNLEASHING.

THIS WAY.
FOLLOW MAKKARI!
STEP CAREFULLY, EVERYONE.
WE ARE INSIDE A CREATURE OF UNIMAGINABLE POWER.
ANYTHING CAN BE A TRAP.
KLK
HELL.

FREE HIM! QUICKLY!
KKRNNCH
QUICKLY! THERE'S MORE INCOMING--
IT WON'T BURN, CELESTIALS ABOVE!
HE CAN'T DAMN WELL BREATHE! DO SOMETHING!
GET IT OFF! GET IT--!

...WHERE THE HELL AM--
...YINSEN?
REPULSOR BLAST? NO.
IT WASN'T LIKE THIS.
IT WASN'T... YET IT WAS. HE WAS THE FIRST TO DIE FOR YOU.
THE FIRST TO DIE FOR THE SUIT.
HE KEPT YOU ALIVE, AND I KEPT YOU ALIVE.
WAS IT WORTH IT?

WOULDN'T IT BE BETTER FOR EVERYONE IF THE SUIT JUST KILLED YOU?
BECAUSE YOU KEEP ON MAKING SUITS AND PEOPLE KEEP ON DYING AND...
...LOOK AT WHERE YOU ARE TODAY.
ONE FINAL SUIT.
A GIANT GOD ARMOR.
THAT YOU'RE INSIDE...
...AND IT'S GOING TO KILL THE WHOLE PLANET.
THAT DEATH WISH OF YOURS FINALLY PAYS OFF.
SAVE IT WITH THE PSYCHODRAMA. I KNOW THIS IS BAD, AND I KNOW IT'S KINDA MY FAULT.
BUT IT'S NOT OVER YET. WE'RE AVENGERS. STEVE IS RELYING ON ME, AND I'M NOT GOING TO...

...LET HIM DOWN.
I COULD BE DEAD ALREADY. I COULD BE DEAD *AGAIN*, AND YOU MAY AS WELL HAVE KILLED ME.
BECAUSE YOU WERE *WRONG*, AND YOU'RE *WEAK*.
NOT THAT IT'S ANY BETTER WHEN YOU ARE STRONG...

LOOK WHAT YOU DID TO ME WHEN YOU WERE STRONG. SNAPPED MY NECK LIKE IT WAS NOTHING. LIKE I WAS NOTHING.
BUT YOU WERE THE IRON GOD, YEAH?*
*IN IRON MAN #17. --TOM
RHODEY, I'M SORRY. JUST HOLD STILL. YOU'LL--
YOU CAN DO THIS TO PEOPLE AND MAKE US ALL GOOD AS NEW.
YOU CAN PATCH US UP, BUT YOU CAN'T TAKE BACK THE FACT THAT YOU DID IT.
WE'LL ALWAYS KNOW.
YOU NEVER WILL LEARN, OH LITTLE MORTAL.
YOU MADE ANOTHER GOD WITH YOUR SMALL SCIENCE?

YOU TRIED IT WITH ME AND YOU SAW WHAT HAPPENED. YOU NEVER LEARN.
BUT THE TRUTH? RIGHT NOW, A GOD WAS NEEDED. YOU WERE THE IRON GOD... AND GAVE IT UP.
IF YOU WERE STILL THE IRON GOD, YOU COULD HAVE FOUGHT THIS CELESTIAL, RETURNED ALL TO LIFE, UNDONE ALL WOE...
...IF ONLY YOU HAD HELD IT TOGETHER FOR A FEW MORE WEEKS.
IT'S TOO MUCH FOR ME.
IT'S TOO MUCH FOR ANYONE.
YOU'RE RIGHT. YOU COULD NEVER HAVE HELD IT TOGETHER.
MEN LIKE YOU ARE KILLING THE PLANET SLOWLY... AT LEAST THIS CUTS TO THE CHASE.
YOU'RE AN ADDICT AND ALWAYS WILL BE.
YOU'RE OFF THE BOOZE, AND YOU'RE ADDICTED TO SAVING THE WORLD.
BIGGER RISK, BIGGER HIGH. HOW FINE CAN YOU CUT IT?
EVENTUALLY, YOU WERE ALWAYS GOING TO PUSH IT TOO CLOSE...

YOU MAKE ME SO ANGRY.
BOOM
I GET IT! I GET IT!
"WHO'S THE STRONGEST ONE?"
I KNOW.
IT'S NOT ME.
IT'S NEVER ME.

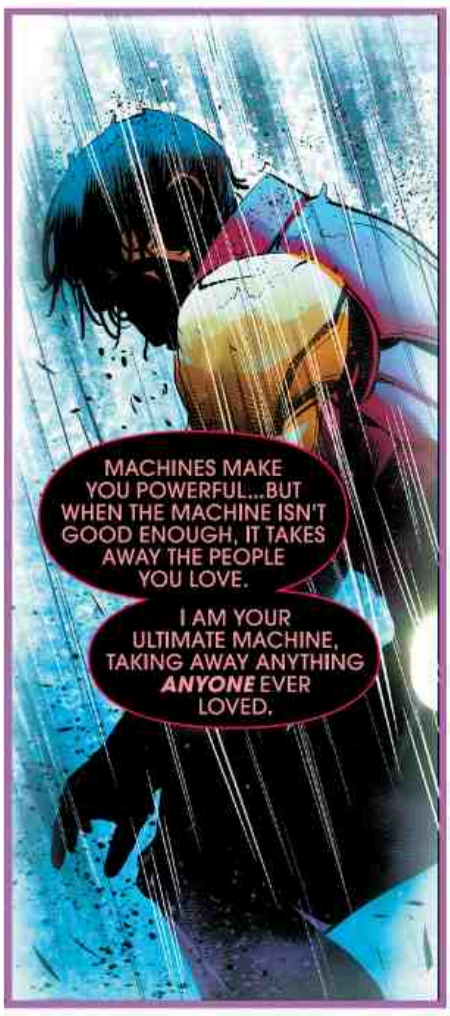
SELF-AWARENESS, TONY. NICE.
NEVER SEEMS TO MAKE MUCH OF A DIFFERENCE THOUGH, YEAH?
WE'VE ALL SEEN IT BEFORE. THE MECHANISMS OF IRON MAN TAKEN APART AND THEN REASSEMBLED, TIME AND TIME OVER.
BUT THE MACHINE NEVER QUITE WORKS...
...YOU CAN REASSEMBLE THE TONY SUIT AS MANY TIMES AS YOU WANT.
DOESN'T MATTER WHEN YOU'RE MISSING PIECES.
AND LOOK AT THE GAPS. NARCISSISM. DESIRE FOR ATTENTION. EGO. ADDICTION.
IS THAT ALL THERE IS?
YOU'RE NOT HER, BUT YOU'RE *REALLY* REMINDING ME OF PATSY.
YOU ARE BOTH *VERY* MEAN.
I KIND OF LIKE IT.
HEY, GOT SOME BAD NEWS.
WITH WHITNEY-FROST-SHAPED EXCEPTIONS, YOU'RE ATTRACTED TO PARENTAL FIGURES, WHO PROVIDE A STRONG MORAL COMPASS BECAUSE YOURS IS *ABSOLUTELY* WHACKED.
WEIRD QUIRK...

...I WONDER WHERE IT COMES FROM.
NO! I DON'T WANT TO SEE THIS!
YET HERE WE ARE.

I ALWAYS HOPED IT WAS AN ASSASSINATION. PEOPLE HAVE CLAIMED IT WAS, OR THAT MOM AND DAD FAKED THEIR DEATHS OR...
THAT'S WHAT ORPHANS DO. WE MAKE UP STORIES THAT GIVE A BIT OF DRAMA. GIVE A REASON.

BUT IT WAS JUST A CAR CRASH.
PEOPLE DIE FOR NO REASON AT ALL.
YOU ARE MISTAKEN. THERE WAS A REASON.

THEY DIED BECAUSE A MACHINE FAILED THEM.
IF ONLY THEY HAD BEEN IN A BETTER MACHINE.
A MACHINE THAT WOULD HAVE PROTECTED THEM IN THIS HELL WORLD.


MACHINES MAKE YOU POWERFUL...BUT WHEN THE MACHINE ISN'T GOOD ENOUGH, IT TAKES AWAY THE PEOPLE YOU LOVE.
I AM YOUR ULTIMATE MACHINE, TAKING AWAY ANYTHING ANYONE EVER LOVED.

I AM A CAR CRASH ON A PLANETARY SCALE.
WHAT NOW, MY FLAWED ENGINEER?
...FOR A START, IGNORE YOU, YOU WEIRDO.

I HAVE WORK TO DO.
YOU THINK ALL YOU SEE IS *MECHANICAL?*
THAT YOU CAN ACCESS THE CONTROLS? SUBVERT IT?
WELL, WHEN YOU PUT IT LIKE THAT, MAYBE NOT, BUT...
MAYBE IT'S NOT MECHANICAL OR ELECTRONIC.
PERHAPS THIS IS PSYCHIC. PERHAPS THIS IS REALITY CONTROL.
WHY PERSIST?
NONE OF THIS WORK MAY MAKE A DIFFERENCE.
BUT IT *MIGHT.*
IT MIGHT...
...AND IF I WORK HARD ENOUGH, NOBODY HAS TO DIE IN ANOTHER @#$%&@# CAR CRASH.
TONY...

PEOPLE DIE, SON.
I WAS A TERRIBLE FATHER. WE WANTED YOU SO BADLY, AND THEN WHEN WE HAD YOU, I STILL WASN'T GREAT.
WE DID A NUMBER ON YOU, AND THEN WE LEFT YOU. WE HAD SO MUCH WE WANTED TO TELL YOU AND SHARE AND SHOW.
YET YOU KEEP ON GOING. I WOULDN'T HAVE. MOST PEOPLE WOULDN'T. A BROKEN MACHINE KEEPS ON TICKING AWAY...
YOU'RE TOO HARD ON YOURSELF. YOU PASS.
I COULDN'T BE PROUDER OF YOU.

DAD!
TONY, ARE YOU OKAY?
WE LOST YOU IN THERE...
I'M OKAY, SERSI. I JUST NEED TO GET MY BREATH BACK.
THAT WAS A LOT.
OH GOD. TEARS. YOU POOR MAN.
WAS IT TORTURING YOU?
YES. NO. YES, BUT...I'M GREAT.
MY DAD.
HE SAID I WAS ALL HE COULD HAVE HOPED FOR...
OH, THAT IS A RELIEF.
THE WORLD IS ENDING, BUT THANKFULLY, TONY STARK HAS MADE UP WITH HIS MEAN OL' DADDY.
NO, YOU IDIOT.
DON'T YOU GET IT?

IT WAS TESTING ME.
AND IF IT'S STILL TESTING ME, IT'S STILL TESTING US.
AND IF IT'S STILL TESTING US?
WE'RE GOING TO PASS.
AND WE'RE GOING TO SAVE EVERYONE.
NEXT: A.X.E.: X-MEN.

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NOVEMBER

- ○ A.X.E.: JUDGMENT DAY OMEGA #1

NEXT

It wasn't her. It wasn't her. It wasn't her. It wasn't her. It wasn't her.
Yet: "I am fire and life incarnate! Now and forever."
Which part of "Now and forever" is confusing to you?
As one world burns, can Jean Grey justify her existence
after having burnt another?

ZONE